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ance under a IV-A program for at least a 9-month period ending during the 9-month period ending on the hiring date.

(B) IV-A PROGRAM.—For purposes of this paragraph, the term "IV-A program" means any program providing assistance under a State plan approved under part A of title IV of the Social Security Act (relating to assistance for needy families with minor children) and any successor of such program.

(3) QUALIFIED VETERAN.—(A) IN GENERAL.—The term "qualified veteran" means any veteran who is certified by the designated local agency as being

(i) a member of a family receiving assistance under a IV-A program (as defined in paragraph (2)(B)) for at least a 9-month period ending during the 12-month period ending on the hiring date, or
(ii) a member of a family receiving assistance under a food stamp program under the Food Stamp Act of 1977 for at least a 3-month period ending during the 12-month period ending on the hiring date.

(B) VETERAN.—For purposes of subparagraph (A), the term "Veteran" means any individual who is certified by the designated local agency as—

(i) having served on active duty (other than active duty for training) in the Armed Forces of the United States for a period of more than 180 days, or
(ii) having been discharged or released from active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States for a service-connected disability, and
(ii) not having any day during the 60-day period ending on the hiring date which was a day of extended active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States. For purposes of clause (ii), the term "extended active duty" means a period of more than 90 days during which the individual was on active duty (other than active duty for training).

(4) QUALIFIED EX-FELON.—The term "qualified ex-felon" means any individual who is certified by the designated local agency—

(A) as having been convicted of a felony under any statute of the United States or any State.

(B) as having a hiring date which is not more than 1 year after the last date on which such individual was so convicted or was released from prison, and

(C) as being a member of a family which had an income during the 6 months immediately preceding the earlier of the month in which such income determination occurs or the month in which the hiring date occurs, which, on an annual basis, would be 70 percent or less of the Bureau of Labor Statistics lower living standard. Any determination under subparagraph (C) shall be valid for the 45-day period beginning on the date such determination is made.

"(5) HIGH-RISK YOUTH.—